

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-45 are pending. Claims 1-45 have been rejected.

Claims 1, 4, 11, 17, 21, 24, 26, 30, 32, 34, 38, 40, 42, and 44 have been amended. No claims have been canceled. No claims have been added. Support for the amendments is found in the specification, the drawings, and in the claims as originally filed. Applicants submit that the amendments do not add new matter.

Applicants reserve all rights with respect to the applicability of the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Claims 1-45 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,854,112 to Crespo et al. ("Crespo") in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,249,354 to Tigani et al. ("Tigani").

Applicants reserve the right to swear behind Tigani.

Amended claim 1 includes automatically searching in a plurality of locations for a configuration information that includes one or more parameters to configure the software that includes searching for a first portion of the configuration information at a first location; and continuing the searching in one or more second locations for a second portion of the configuration information.

The Examiner noted that "Crispo does not disclose searching in a plurality of locations; determining whether the configuration information is present at a first location; and continuing the searching in one or more second locations for the configuration information if

the configuration information is not present at the first location."(Office Action, p. 3, 12/11/08).

Accordingly, Crespo fails to disclose searching for a first portion of the configuration information at a first location; and continuing the searching in one or more second locations for a second portion of the configuration information, as recited in amended claim 1.

Tigani discloses deploying a software build from a plurality of software builds to a target computer. More specifically, Tigani discloses the following:

In accordance with further aspects of the present invention, a method for deploying a software build from a plurality of software builds to a target computer is provided. A first request for the software build is submitted from the target computer to the build master. In response to the first request, the build master identifies a build server that stores the software build. The build master generates request data, including information identifying the build server storing the software build. The request data is returned to the target computer. The target computer submits the request with the request data to the build server identified in the request data. In response, the build server returns the software build to the target computer.

(Tigani, col. 2, lines 33-45)(emphasis added)

Thus, Tigani discloses identifying a build server that stores the software build. In contrast, amended claim 1 refers to searching for a first portion of the configuration information at a first location; and searching in one or more second locations for a second portion of the configuration information. Tigani fails to disclose, teach, or suggest searching for a first portion of the configuration information at a first location; and continuing the searching in one or more second locations for a second portion of the configuration information, as recited in amended claim 1.

Furthermore, even if Crespo and Tigani were combined, such a combination would still lack searching for a first portion of the configuration information at a first location; and

continuing the searching in one or more second locations for a second portion of the configuration information, as recited in amended claim 1.

Therefore, applicants respectfully submit that claim 1, as amended, is not obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Crespo in view of Tigani.

Amended claim 4 includes searching in a plurality of locations for a configuration information that includes one or more parameters to configure the software, wherein the searching is performed automatically in response to installing the software.

The Examiner noted that “Crispo does not disclose searching in a plurality of locations...”(Office Action, p. 3, 12/11/08).

Accordingly, Crespo fails to disclose searching in a plurality of locations for a configuration information that includes one or more parameters to configure the software, wherein the searching is performed automatically in response to installing the software, as recited in amended claim 4.

As set forth above, Tigani discloses identifying a build server that stores the software build in response to the request. In contrast, amended claim 4 refers to searching in a plurality of locations for a configuration information that includes one or more parameters to configure the software, automatically in response to installing the software. Tigani fails to disclose, teach, or suggest searching in a plurality of locations for a configuration information that includes one or more parameters to configure the software, wherein the searching is performed automatically in response to installing the software, as recited in amended claim 4.

Furthermore, even if Crespo and Tigani were combined, such a combination would still lack searching in a plurality of locations for a configuration information that includes one

or more parameters to configure the software, wherein the searching is performed automatically in response to installing the software, as recited in amended claim 4.

Therefore, applicants respectfully submit that claim 4, as amended, is not obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Crespo in view of Tigani.

For at least similar reasons as set forth above with respect to amended claims 1 and 4, applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-3, and 5-45 are not obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Crespo in view of Tigani.

It is respectfully submitted that in view of the amendments and arguments set forth herein, the applicable rejections and objections have been overcome. If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 022666.

Respectfully submitted,

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